

Praise & Prayer Requests

Week of May 24, 2020

Look to the LORD and his strength; seek his face always. 1 Chronicles 16:11

Loving God with Authentic & Vibrant Worship: (Suggested Monday focus)

- Praise God for His *favor*. Thank Him for rescuing us from deep holes, for turning our *mourning into dancing* and that *weeping may remain for a night, but rejoicing comes in the morning*. Psalm 30
- This Memorial Day week, let's pray for those who grieve the death of loved ones in military service and in other ways. Pray also for military [chaplains](#) who serve in difficult places.
- Thank God for unity among our Elders for a Never Alone Pandemic Return Plan. Pray for unity as it is presented and put into place by our leaders and congregation.
- Join with our Creator's heart to celebrate last Wednesday's weeding night! Pray for Ron Bolton, who oversees our grounds, and our other Trustees, led by Andrew and Karen Heybey, as they consider summer projects.

Loving Others by Growing more Christ-like through loving community and discipleship: (Suggested Tuesday focus)

- Pray for our graduates celebrated in our [online](#) service on Sunday – Brandon Bolton (Eastern York Middle School); Ethan Grim (Eastern York High School); Erin Habecker (HACC); Kelston Hildebrand (Millersville University – last December); Deiandra Jeffery (Eastern York High School); Luke Jensen (Eastern York High School); Maureen Nanfelt (Trinity Evangelical Divinity School) and Mason Reiff (Kreutz Creek Elementary School). Some have a bit to go, as do many teachers and others. Let's pray for them all.
- Give thanks for Donna Hinkle's service of around 5 years to our Church as Custodian, finishing well on May 31. Pray for God to call someone new to this service and ministry at our Church.
- Pray for this evening's Governing Board meeting which will consider a Benevolence Team report from Lisa Heller and our Never Alone Pandemic Return Plan from the Elders.
- Our youth leaders are seeking the Lord on next steps, not easy this summer. Pray for God to bless students as they are served by Pastor James and team.
- Children's ministry is tough this season. Pray for Autumn Kinard, her team, parents and others, for creative ways to care for their spiritual and practical needs.
- Pray for ongoing volunteers at the Eastern York Food Pantry.
- Pray for our national, state and local leaders throughout the COVID-19 response.
- Pray for those with birthdays this week: Jeff Whitehead (5/26).
- Pray for those with anniversaries this week: Will & Cassandra Anthony (5/26); Scott & Pam Himes (5/27); Jeff & Raynea Whitehead (5/31).

Physical Needs: (Suggested Wednesday focus)

- Unemployed – Conrad Heller and Tom Merriam and Steve Russell.
- Healthcare Workers – April Antico, Susan Enrico, Pam Himes, Alicia Kauffman, Autumn Kinard, Olga Krotzer and Emily Smith.
- Pray for those in life-giving and service employment by name.
- Pray for parents of school-age children by name.

- Sick & Recovering – Lee Gromling; Kay Gromling; Ron Gromling; Shirley Hanna; Ashley Merriam; Betty Newcomer; Kailee Mae O’Handly; Karen Shores; Raynea Whitehead
- Hospice – Charles Abel; Shirley Broadt; Richard Hanna
- Shut-Ins – Dorothy Markey
- Military Service – Jake Heybey (Army); Kelston Hildebrand (Army National Guard)
- College – Biff Alexander; Kiersten Barr

Missions: (Suggested Thursday focus)

- Pray for Gateway Church International, Hellam.
- Pray for [Alliance Missions](#) in CAMA (relief), Marketplace (professionals), Axxess (church-planting and global networks – new for International Workers or missionaries) and Envision. Pray for each of these ministries and those whom you know who serve with them.
- Pray for our partnerships with [Alliance Marketplace](#) workers:
 - [Michael and Elsie McCombs](#) with [Remember Nhu](#) in Thailand.
 - [Rick and Tammie Romano](#) with [Mission TwentyFive 35](#).

Pray for [Alliance prayer requests](#) worldwide: (suggested Friday focus)

- **(Indonesia)** Intercede for the family of an MAF pilot in Papua whose plane went down recently; she was well known to Alliance colleagues.
- Pray for a C&MA couple whose community has seen significant flooding. Pray for open doors as the team there seeks to minister to homes that were particularly impacted by the flooding.
- Thank God that so far the virus’ effect in Papua has not been as widespread as was feared. Please continue to pray, especially for churches that don’t understand the dangers.
- Intercede for an Alliance theological school facing a leadership transition because the school’s current head has been called to serve the Lord on another island. Ask for God’s direction in the choice of a new administrator.
- Continue to pray for several workers visas. Everything is on hold while government offices are essentially closed.
- Intercede for the work of a language Bible translation team. Pray for good health, team unity and wisdom from God. Pray also for good internet connection as the team members are meeting virtually.

Church Family: (Suggested Saturday focus)

- Pray for fellow [worshippers](#).
- Ask God to prepare your heart for Sunday.
- Pray for a class or group you attend.
- Pray for everyone involved in Sunday ministries.
- Ask God to direct you and others to Spring growth opportunities.